

journeys according to their goings out.” There is no statement in any one of these books, except Deuteronomy, which seems to say that that particular book is Moses’ book. Nor do we have a statement which says that about the whole Pentateuch, unless the statements at the end of Deuteronomy 31 are thus to be understood. But we do have these five passages which speak of Moses writing and not merely writing legal material, but also narrative.

Student: Why didn’t Moses say, “I wrote it?” If he wrote it, wouldn’t you think he would use the first person?

AAM: That is a matter of custom. It is our usual custom to speak in the first person, but there are many books in which the authors have written of themselves in the third person, even in modern times. Thus it is a matter of custom.

Assignment: If you do the assignment from the English you may be able to run your eye over the page and pick out the words God and LORD quite quickly. Some people can note capitals quickly. If you can, that is the preferred way. But you might find that you would save a great deal of time by using Young’s Concordance. Young’s and Strong’s are different. Strong’s will have a number after the word “God.” It will say “God” and then all the different words for God in the Bible will come right after the other, but after each it will have a number indicating the Hebrew name. In this case, you will look up in the back and see which number refers to Elohim and then you can take from Strong’s those uses that have this number, and you can get your references quickly. In Young’s all the references with the same Hebrew word will be put together. You can get your references from Strong’s or Young’s concordance if you want. That will save you some time. But the main thing is, I want them written on two sides so you can look down either column and see how often the word is used or you can look across, back and forth. This is not to be a minute study of the contents of any particular verse or section. It is to get an idea of this alternation and how it occurs. This is very important in connection with the higher criticism. We are not going to have time to study every section of the Pentateuch in minute detail, but to get a few samples, so as to understand the basic principles involved. If you have